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REMARKS

Claims 1-11 are pending in the application.

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Applicants, again, respectfully request that the Examiner properly acknowledge the priority claim and the receipt of the certified copy of the priority document. Applicants submitted a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 from Japanese Patent Application No. 2002-282516 (filed September 27, 2002), and a certified copy of the foreign priority application.

Applicants also request that the Examiner indicate acceptance of the drawings.

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the Examiner's allowance of claim 11 and the finding that claims 5 and 8-9 contain allowable subject matter. Applicants, again, submit that the provided reasons for allowability only include the Examiner's non-exhaustive interpretations, which should in no way limit the scope of the allowable claims. Applicants further submit that claim 1, as demonstrated below, is allowable over the references cited against it, and, accordingly, request that the Examiner allow claims 5 and 8-9, which depend from claim 1.

Claims 1-4, 6-7, and 10 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,548,643 to <u>Dalgleish et al.</u> in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,754,949 to <u>Kumagai et al.</u>, and further in view of U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0065052 to <u>Pande et al.</u>

The Examiner conducted a telephone interview with Applicants' undersigned representative, Mr. Dexter Chang (Reg. No. 44,071), on August 10, 2006, for which Applicants and Mr. Chang thank the Examiner. During the interview, the Examiner and Mr. Chang discussed Pande et al., which the Examiner relied upon as a combining reference that allegedly discloses the claimed feature of "at least a part of an external side surface of the radio 84157281_1

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Thus, even assuming, <u>arguendo</u>, that it would have been obvious to combine <u>Dalgleish et al.</u>, <u>Kumagai et al.</u>, and <u>Pande et al.</u>, the combination would still have failed to disclose or suggest,

"[o]utdoor radio equipment, comprising:
a radio transmitting and receiving part for performing a
modulation and demodulation process; and
a common part for controlling an action of the radio
transmitting and receiving part, wherein
the radio transmitting and receiving part is provided at the
common part so as to be exposed to open air, and
at least a part of an external side surface of the radio
transmitting and receiving part is exposed to open air," as recited
in claim 1. (Emphasis added)

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that claim 1, together with claims 2-4, 6-7, and 10 dependent therefrom, is patentable over <u>Dalgleish et al.</u>, <u>Kumagai et al.</u>, and <u>Pande et al.</u>, separately and in combination, for at least the above-stated reasons.

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's implicit finding that the additional references made of record, but not applied, do not render the claims of the present application unpatentable, whether these references are considered alone or in combination with others.

In view of the remarks set forth above, this application is in condition for allowance which action is respectfully requested. However, if for any reason the Examiner should consider this application not to be in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned attorney at the number listed below prior to issuing a further Action.

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